West Bellfort Property Owners Association <u>www.westbellfortpoa.com</u>

Newsletter January 2024

WBPOA BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE 4TH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE BRAESRIDGE CLUBHOUSE

WBPOA BOARD MEMBERS:

Barbara Hite, President Etan Mirwis, Vice President Phil Abrams, Secretary Marc Warren, Treasurer Michelle Amber, Board Member (NEW)

Asher Belles, Board Member Jeannette Calhoun, Board Member Joy Cunningham, Board Member Neal Harris, Board Member Daphine Jack, Board Member Lovell Lloyd, Board Member Gary Rosenbaum, Board Member

WBPOA MANAGEMENT <u>COMPANY</u> Rikki Block Sterling Association Services 6842 N Sam Houston Parkway W Houston, TX 77064 Phone 832-678-4500 Fax: 832-678-4510 Email: rblock@sterlingasi.com Any other Sterling Representative should be able to assist as well.

<u>Ludington Clubhouse Rental</u> Joy Cunningham 713 / 417-8154 <u>Joycunningham@sbcglobal.net</u>

Braesridge Clubhouse Rental Marcy Williams mmmarcyw@sbcglobal.net 713 / 774-3150

> WBPOA is patrolled by : Harris County off-duty Sheriff Deputies

Please see announcement on the next page.



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Effective December 1st we will have a new security Service.

Harris County off-duty Sheriff Deputies will be patrolling our neighborhood. For popemergency calls for servic

For nonemergency calls for service call (713) 630-8370.

If case of emergency continue to call 911.

If you have any questions or concerns email PatrolWBPOA@gmail.com Thank you.



Volunteers Needed to Serve as Block Captains



Block Captains are residents who volunteer their time and efforts to The community to serve as "point persons" between the residents, the POA Board, its committees and The property management team.

You will not be asked to do anything that puts yourself in harm's way. The time involved is minimal. By serving as the "eyes and ears" of The community, you will play a big part in keeping it safe, friendly and beautiful. You can even "co-share" and team up with a neighbor. If you have an interest in serving as a Block Captain, please contact any of the Board members or Rikki Block of Sterling Management, or attend one of the upcoming in persons Board Meetings.

Recycling in WBPOA

North side – **tree waste** ONLY – 2nd Friday of each **ODD** numbered month South side of West Bellfort South side – **tree waste** ONLY – 3rd Thursday of each **ODD** numbered month

North side **junk waste** 2nd Friday of each **EVEN** numbered month South side **junk waste** 3rd Thursday of each **EVEN** numbered month.

You can legally place your heavy trash at the curb on the **Friday** prior to either the Tree Waste pickup or the Junk Waste pickup.



All WBPOA residents are on Schedule A/Thursdays for recycling pickup, which occurs ever other week.

Important Recycling Info:

- Use the Green Bin for recycling ONLY
- Recycle Schedule A every other week
- Pickup on Thursdays
- Bins may be put at the curb late Wednesday evenings and must be at curb by 7:00 a.m. Thursdays
- Bins MUST be removed from the curb on Thursday evenings
- Bins MUST be stored out of sight.
- Recycling may also be taken to:
 - Westpark Consumer Recycling Center, 5900 Westpark, Houston, TX 77057



Houston Solid Waste Management has launched HTX Collects, a mobile app that will allow residents to stay better connected with the City's waste and recycling collection programs.

Important Trash Facts:

- Regular pick up every Thursday
- Bins may be set out at the curb the evening before
- Bins MUST be removed from curb by Thursday evenings
- Bins MUST always be stored out of site
- TREE / YARD waste is every "odd" month
- JUNK / HEAVY trash pickup is every "even" month
- Junk / heavy trash can be taken to: Southwest Trash Depository / Recycle Center 10785 Southwest Freeway Hours: Wed – Sun, 9am to 6pm Accepts junk and tree waste and recyclables

If for any reason a household has too much trash to fit inside the black garbage bin, residents can purchase city stickers to place on the outside of large plastic garbage bags. The stickers can be purchased from Fiesta or Seller's Brothers customer service windows or at hardware stores. The stickers MUST be visible street side, or the bags will not be picked up.

Residents with physical limitations can contact 311 and complete a Solid Waste Pickup Request Form (for either regular trash or recycles, or both) to qualify for special pick up services. If qualified, city services will then pick up from the residents' specified locations and return them to the same location when emptied. The location MUST be out of sight from the street, but accessible to the city services (ie, behind unlocked fence gate).



New Mayor Pro Tem of Houston

Happy New Year District K Friends!

I am humbled and grateful for the opportunity to serve as Mayor Pro Tem of Houston and the City Council Member of District K. This year holds great promise, and I am committed to working tirelessly to contribute to the success and well-being of our community.

Let us hear from you. Neighborhood Presidents please share updated contact information, board members and meeting schedules. Your trust and support mean the world to me. Let's make 2024 unforgettable. Follow for updates.

In service,

Martha



Rodeo Scholarships Available

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has invested more than \$600 million in scholarships over the years. In 2024, they're awarding \$14 million in scholarships, \$5 million to junior show exhibitors, \$2.5 million in educational grants, and \$460,000 in grad assistantships. Apply online by January 31st. https://www.rodeohouston.com/scholarships-andgrants/how-to-apply/ Don't miss out on this opportunity! #RodeoScholarships #EmpoweringYouth



FREE COMMUNITY SHRED DAY

HOSTED BY MAYOR PRO TEM MARTHA CASTEX-TATUM District K NEW FAITH CHURCH 4315 W. FUQUA • HOU.77045 Pastor Dr. Andre Lewis - Paper Only -

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9AM-12PM

WESTBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 5200 WILLOWBEND • HOU.77096 PASTOR ELEANOR COLVIN - PAPER & SMALL ELECTRONICS -



THE CITY OF HOUSTON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

District K Community E-Waste Collection







Saturday, January 20 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

WESTBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 5200 Willowbend Dr. 77096

Requirements

- Televisions -Maximum of 2 per resident, 50 lbs. each. Box, TVs are limited to a 30-inch screen, measured diagonally. TVs must be complete.
- Up to 5 electronics items, excluding TVs, computers, laptops, smartphones, DVD players, cords, and microwaves (throw away PLATE).

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Martha Castex-Tatum Mayor Pro Tem District K

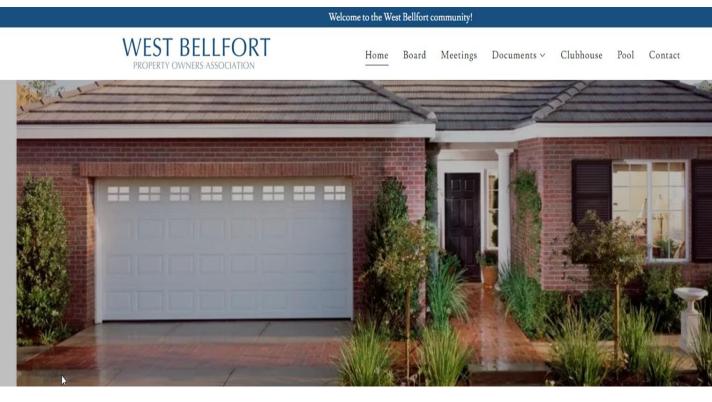
Acceptable Items

- Printers
 (Home printers)
- TV
- Electronics
- Wires phones
- DVD's & VCR's
- Routers
- Power cords
- UPS

- Computer equipment
- Phones
- Scrap wire
- Servers
- Ink cartridges
- Cables
- Switches
- Fax machines



Please check out the updated WBPOA website @ westbellfortpoa.com







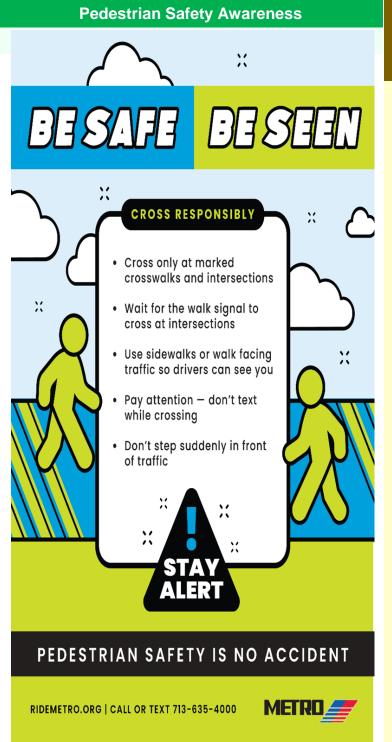
Before doing any new work to the exterior of your home (landscaping, roofing, windows, etc.), you must obtain approval from the Board by completing an ARC application. A copy is found at the back of this newsletter.





DEED COVENANTS & RESTRICTIONS

WBPOA is a deed restricted community and its Board is responsible for ensuring the restrictions are followed by all homeowners and / or their tenants. Real estate agents are required to provide copies of deed covenants to all home buyers. Homeowners are legally responsible for any non-compliance of the restrictions by tenants. For a full list of restrictions, please refer to the WBPOA Deed Covenants provided by your realtor; alternatively, the deed restrictions and other association documents may be found at www.westbellfortpoa.com (under "Documents") or please contact WBPOA's property management company, Sterling Association Services, at 832-678-4500, or contact any of your Board Members. Non-compliance of WBPOA's Deed Covenants allows the WBPOA to implement fines, fees and other rights to



Grocery carts = convenient in stores In WBPOA = eyesores!

If you see empty grocery carts in the WBPOA subdivision, please call and report to:

Fiesta Mart: 713-272-2700 Gray and red or has Fiesta logo



Walmart: 713-771-4740 Green and gray or has Walmart logo

Joe V's: 713-721-0100

Texas Transportation Code - TRANSP § 545.302 Stopping, Standing, or Parking Prohibited in Certain Places

The City of Houston and the WBPOA are very strict about enforcing the State's neighborhood parking regulations. Non-adherence to these regulations will result in a parking violations / fines from the City, as well as violation notices from WBPOA. The homeowner illegally parked or whose tenants are illegally parked will be financially responsible for any resulting fees incurred by the WBPOA to enforce the regulations.

Under 545.302(a), An operator may not stop, stand, or park a vehicle in the following manners:

- on the roadway side of a vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
- 2. on a sidewalk;
- 3. in an intersection;
- 4. on a crosswalk;
- between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within 30 feet of a place on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless the governing body of a municipality designates a different length by signs or markings;
- alongside or opposite a street excavation or obstruction if stopping, standing, or parking the vehicle would obstruct traffic;
- on a bridge or other elevated structure on a highway or in a highway tunnel;
- 8. on a railroad track; or
- 9. where an official sign prohibits stopping.

(b) An operator may not, except momentarily to pick up or discharge a passenger, stand or park an occupied or unoccupied vehicle:

- 1. in front of a public or private driveway;
- 2. within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;
- 3. within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
- within 30 feet on the approach to a flashing signal, stop sign, yield sign, or traffic-control signal located at the side of a roadway;
- 5. within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to a fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to a fire station within 75 feet of the entrance, if the entrance is properly marked with a sign; or
- 6. where an official sign prohibits standing



See a summary of the parking regulations attached to the newsletter for a quick reference.



2024 POA DUES

The invoices for 2024 POA dues were mailed in November. We understand some may be experiencing unforeseen financial difficulties. If this applies, please contact Sterling ASI as soon as possible at (832) 678-4500 and ask for Ricki, Cynthia, Cindy, or anyone at Sterling for assistance in arranging a payment plan. While the Board is understanding of these unprecedented times, for us to best serve the community and properly maintain amenities, POA dues must be paid. Non-payment of dues severely impacts our community, as amenities cannot otherwise be maintained. Therefore, nonpayment of dues will restrict use of community amenities as it is not fair to allow usage to those who are not paying for the upkeep.

POA DUES – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Payment coupons for POA dues were are not an agreement to enter into a payment plan. As stated above, if for any reason you were not be able to pay your dues, please contact Sterling or your POA Board AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, as it is imperative that the HOA receives payments so as to stay in line with the 2024 Budget; the payment coupons have been mailed already, but you are also welcome to pay via the WBPOA website or to mail your payment to the following:

West Bellfort POA c/o Sterling ASI 6842 N. Sam Houston Pkwy W Houston, Texas 77064

Please specify the property address you are making payment for in the memo line of the check; alternatively, you are welcome to include a separate piece of paper with the address and any other particulars to ensure your payment is properly applied.

* WBPOA – Northfield III and IV (North Side of West Bellfort): Junk Waste 2nd Friday of even months / Tree Waste 2nd Friday of odd months * WBPOA – Northfield V (South Side of West Bellfort): Junk Waste 3rd Thursday of even months / Tree Waste 3rd Thursday of odd months

WBPOA ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

Please come to a Board Meeting if you wish to serve on a

committee or as a Block Captain

Clubhouse	Joy Cunningham, Marcy Williams	
Landscape	Marcy Williams	
Newsletter	Joy Cunningham, Daphine Jack	
Parks & Recreation	Asher Bellas, Neal Harris	
Pool	Phil Abrams	
Safety	Barbara Hite	
BLOCK CAPTAINS	Volunteers Needed!!	



WBPOA residents can request vacation watches from Constable Precinct 7 for vacation planning needs. You can register for a deputy vacation watch by visiting the Precinct 7 website https://constable7.harriscountytx.gov and select "Vacation Watch". Forms need to be completed at least 7 days in advance.



See Something, Say Something!

PLEASE NOTE: Our deputies are diligent about patrolling our community, but they need our help. If you see something that does not look right, please call Dispatch at 713-643-6602 – you do not have to give your name or other details, simply report the action. If the matter turns out to be nothing, no harm done! Also, our deputies are listed on the front of this newsletter. There are ADDITIONAL Precinct 7 deputies who are not assigned to our neighborhood; however, the fact they are with the same Precinct only enhances our patrol. Should you have any concerns about our coverage, please contact Barbara Hite, your Board president, any Board member, or Sterling ASI. You are also welcomed to come to a Board meeting to express your concerns. If you plan a trip out of town, please get registered with Precinct 7 for a vacation watch – our patrol officers will be happy to help keep an eye on your home.

WEST BELLFORT PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL APPLICATION

In accordance with the governing documents of your Association, all exterior improvements and/or changes from the original construction must be submitted for and approved by the Architectural Control/Review Committee (ACC/ARC). Failure to receive approval for the improvement and/or change may result in you having to remove, alter or change the improvement in order to comply with the rules and regulations of the Association. Please complete the application below in its entirety and return to STERLING ASSOCIATION SERVICES, INC. (SASI) to 6842 N. Sam Houston Pkwy W., Houston, TX. 77064 (Phone 832-678-4500) Email: ACC@sterlingasi.com.

CommunityAssociation				
Property Address		Sec/Bl	Sec/Blk/Lot//	
Name				
Work#	Home#	E-mail		
Mailing Address				
A site plan/survey indic and/or lot lines and easem	cating location of the pr lents. aples or pictures of mate	atically denied without the following: oposed improvement, providing the distance crials to be used in the improvement (shingle, application.		
Status:/_	///////	Date of Completion		
		Date of Completion	Under Construction	
Check one of the following	g:			
Exterior Paint	Roof (Weatherwood of	or Driftwood Only)	Pool/Spa	
		sure Permanent Basketball Goal	Storage Bldg	
Patio Cover	Gazebo	Portable Basketball Goal	Siding	
Deck	Arbor/Pergola	Room Addition	Antenna/Dish	
Fence	Mailbox	Driveway/Sidewalk (new & extension)	Exterior Lighting	
Fence Gates/ Burglar Bars	Solar Screens	Landscape Statuary	Storm Doors/Windows	
Window Shades/ Awni	ings	Playground Equipment		
		Length		
Location of Improvement Front of HouseBa		of house (stand and face house)Right side o	f house (stand and face house)	
	•	les or photos provided (check all applicable)		
Base paint color		Trim paint color Garage door trim color		
Garage door paint colo	r	Garage door trim color		
Stain color		Fence color/material		
Siding color/material		Roof color		
Other			,	
Other				

____I understand the ACC/ARC are a group of volunteers in the community and will do their best to act as quickly as possible in their determination regarding my application. I hereby certify that the proposed construction/modification is in full compliance with all the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions and all guidelines currently adopted by the Association. I do understand the committee has 180 days to review the request.

I understand that the decisions are determined concerning only my architectural plans submitted. I am responsible to obtain whatever easements, permits, licenses and approvals, which may be necessary to improve the property in accordance with the submitted plans.

Owner's Signature APPROVED/APPROVED CONDITIONALLY/DISAPPROVED.

Date

ACC COMMITTEE CHAIR SIGNATURE and Date

Please note this form can be found on the website at www.westbellfortpoa.com